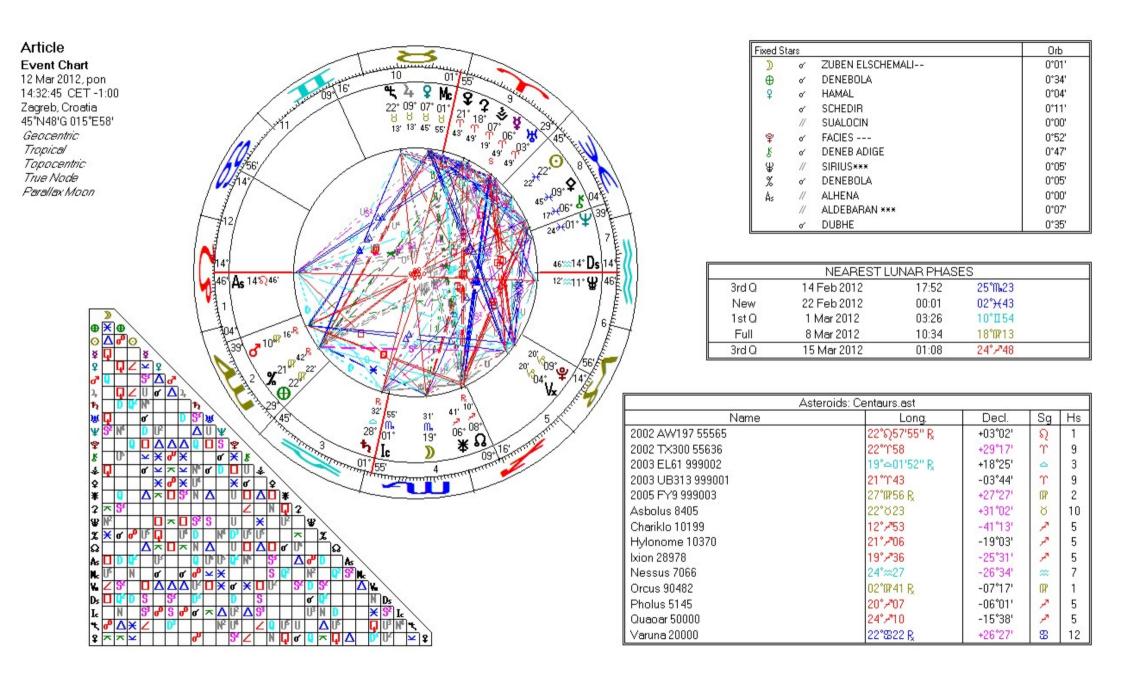
Astrology for the 21th century

Astrological chart is 2 500 yers old product of antique, it is full of miscalculations and imaginations. At the time ancient greeks made fundaments of astrological forcasting, such cosmology was the peak of human intellectual ability to map and understand motion of planets according to Earth's rotation around the Sun and around it's axe. Antient greeks invented house system (position/angle of planets according to Earth's motion around it's axes) and they followed already in use chaldean system of observing planetary motion according to position toward constellations. At that time, during Spring Equinox, Sun was at the beginning of constellation Aries, chaldeans was already using twelve constellation Aries was first on ecliptica, Taurus second, Gemini third etc. Because of that reality and according to their imagination and notion that constellations and their shape have some god giving symbolic meaning, they created symbolic forecasting system cosmology between reality and imagination. Unfortunately... such approach to astrology is still in use today...

Ancient Chaldeans/Babylonians and Greeks didn't know about Precession of Equinox they toth that Sun will always be at the begining of constellation Aries at the time of Spring equinox, to them, such cosmology had some sence, today, we know that it is based on false notions. Because of precession, position of Sun at the same date is changing it's position toward constellations, this year it was approximately at 5°48' of constellation Pisces.

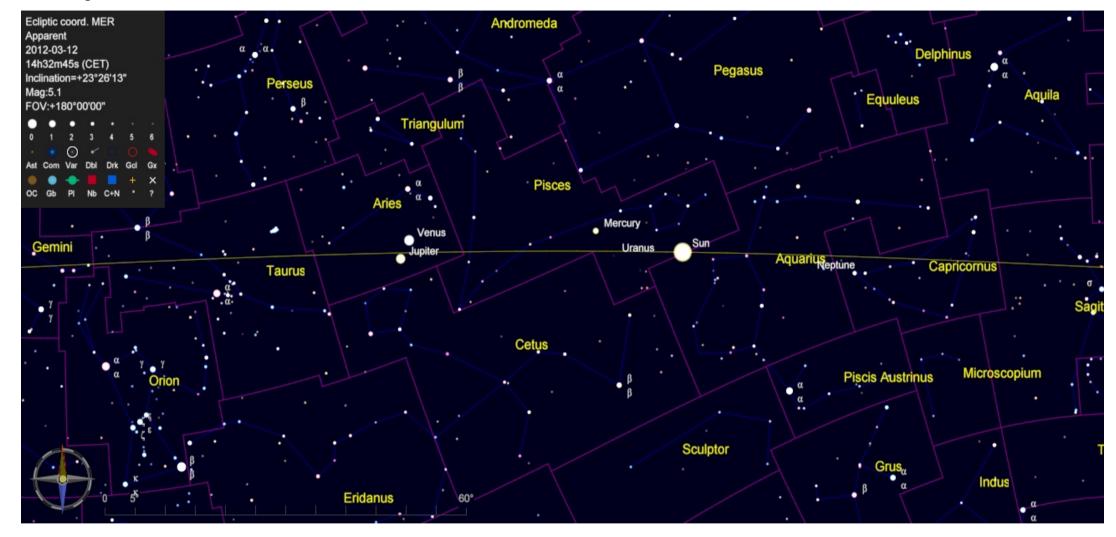
Up to 70%, it depends are you using tropical or sidereal position, of traditional chart is accurate picture of the sky... it is only possible to forecast it and get right conclusions if you know about miscalculations and imaginations in it.

What is wrong in traditional chart?



This is tropical chart for date, time and place, where and when this article was written. Majority of astrologists on the West use still use

such charths in spite of the fact that it is highly inaccurate. What are right position of celestial bodies according to constellations/signs, you can see on this picture;



This picture of the sky is made by planetarium program Cartes du Ciel;

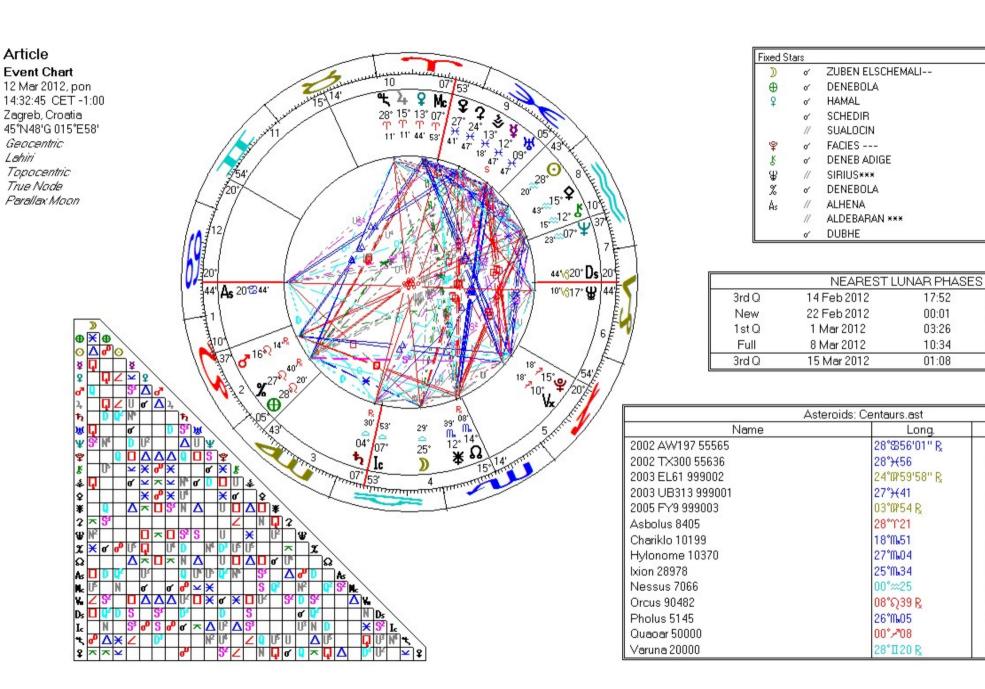
http://www.softpedia.com/get/Science-CAD/Cartes-du-Ciel.shtml

Obviously, tropical position are inaccurate. Jupiter/Venus conjuction is not in constellation Taurus, it is in constellation Aries, Mercury/Uranus conjunction is not in constellation Aries, it is in Pisces, Neptun is not in Pisces, it is in Aquarius etc.

How that error happened? And why still, in 21st century, majority of astrologers are not aware of it?

i.. contemporary astrology is still enslaved with antique calculations and used mainly by those who don't have even basic knowledge about astronomy. if you are beginner it is great chance that you will first hear about your "zodiac sign", position of the Sun at the time of your birth. Such popular astrology is based on wrong calculations and it is mainly used by charlatans to manipulate public and make money. During antique, when ancien greeks observed sky and made basic calculations and chart forecast, at the time of Spring Equinox, Sun was at the beginning of constellation Aries. They toth that such position is eternal law of the universe. That was misconception. They didn't know about precession of equinoxes and they didn't understand that this position is temporary. Because of precession position of celestial bodies according to constellations are changing thru time, only during time of first civilizations and first gazing up to haven, Sun was at the beginning of constellation Aries, never before and never after. Today, it is at the beginning of constellation Pisces and it is moving every year forward to constellation Aquarius. That reality was not known in Europe till XVIIth century, in the mean time, Indian astronomers/astrologists become aware that celestrial bodies are changing positions and they implemented correction (ayanamsa).

This is chart with sidereal positions, as you can see, it is much more realistic;



Orb

0°00'

0°34'

0°04'

0°11'

0.00,

0°52'

0°47'

0°05'

0°05'

0°00'

0°07'

0°36'

Hs

10

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12

Sq

8

01°M₂1

08° x 41

16°852

24°Q11

00°746

Decl.

+03°02'

+29°171

+18°25'

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+27°27'

+31°021

-41°13'

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-26°34'

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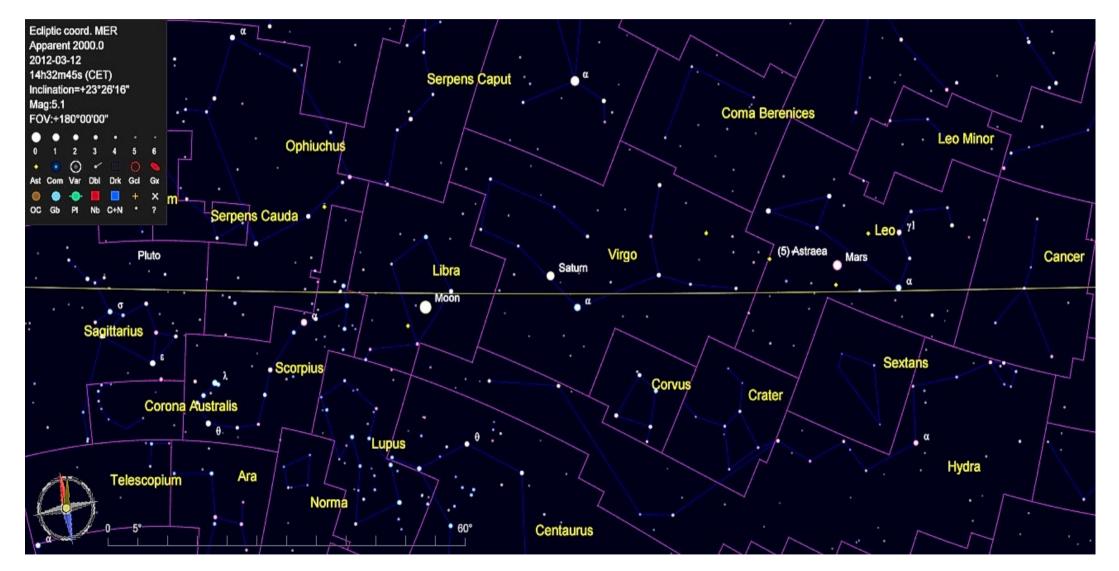
-06°01'

-15°38'

+26°27'

Sun is really at the end of constellation Aquarius, Jupiter/Venus conjunction is really in Aries, Mercury/Uranus conjunction in Pisces, Neptun in Aquarius etc.

But, Indian astronomers/astrologists calculated ayanamsa, changing of position according to constellations, but they didn't change wrong assumption that constellation are 30° long... sidereal positions are more accurate then tropical, they are correct toward stars but not according to real longitude of constellations.



As you can see on this picture, because constellation Virgo is longest, Saturn is in it and not in Libra. So, sideral chart is more realistic but not accurate.

In reality, there are thirteen constellations on ecliptic and they are all different in longitude, all that was very well known to chaldeans who name it and made first fortune telling attempts in history of mankind. Why then they divided ecliptic in twelve parts and with constellation 30° long? Probably because they wanted to synchronise events on the sky with their calendar wich was divided on twelve months. So, from the same beginning of astrology (and calendar) synchronization was very much superficial. Why twelve months? Because Moon have approximately twelve rotation around Earth during Earth's rotation around Sun. Every civilization at that time had their on cosmology and calendar, very much different, but this chaldean division became accepted thru time worldwide.

Fixed Stars

Because tropical positions are so inaccurate and position of celestial bodies toward constellations are basic of astrological calculations, in contemporary astrology there are many manipulations and frauds. One of the greatest are position of the stars in constellations.

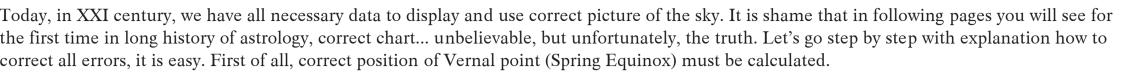
On the next picture you can see how far manipulation is going on... and why so many beginners in astrology are confused in theory and practice. On both sidereal and tropical chart based on Swiss ephemeris (most of contemporary programs are calculating charts with those ephemeris), you can see that Venus is in conjunction with the star Hamal (Alpha Aries) that is impossible, difference between tropical and sidereal positions are 23°48', it is imposible that Hamal is in both Aries and Taurus. Of course, Alpha Aries is in constellation Aries:) and tropical calculations are not only wrong but highly insane... why Swiss ephemeris did that? What is the point of such ruthless manipulation? They are aware that tropical positions are wrong, but... contemporary astrology is far to be science, many astrologists still use tropical position and efemeris creators indulge their needs. That is contemporary astrology, highly inaccurate, almost insane pseudoscience, full of miscalculations, imaginations and manipulations.



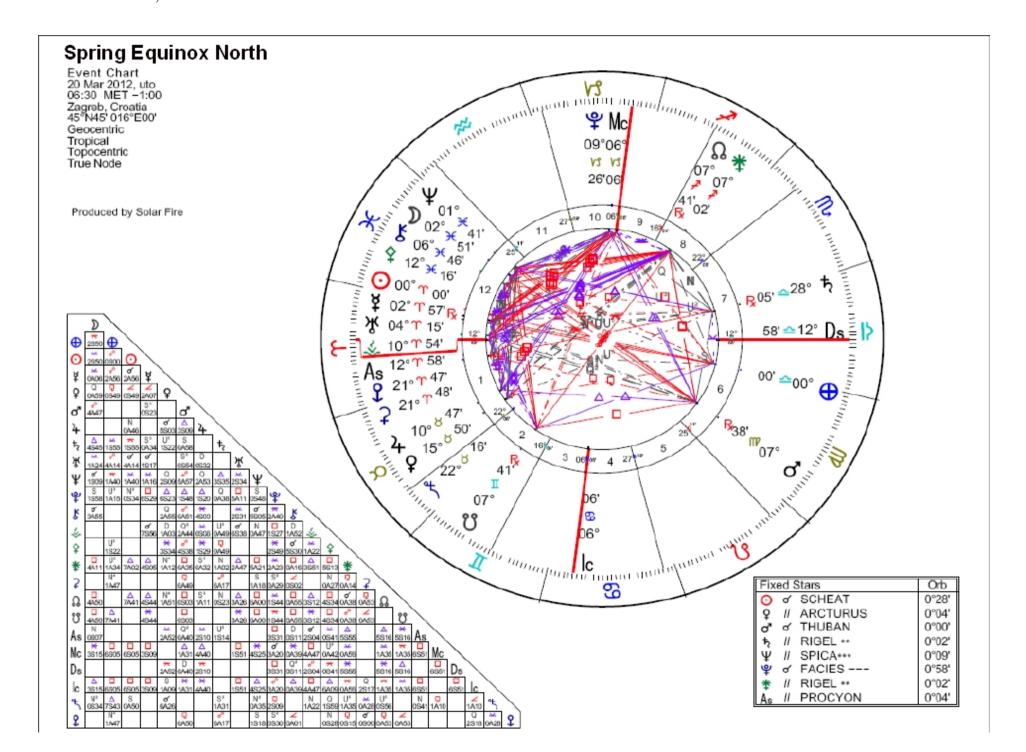
I,t is unbelievable that such miscalculations and manipulations exist in 21th century, and even more unbelievable that majority of astrologers are using and in fact promoting by their work such frauds, that is reality. contemporary astrology is mess with many different theories, chart forecasting stiles, two different calculation of position according to constellations, nine house systems, various theories about aspect and orbises and even some astrologists use imaginary planets. It's finally time to correct this mess according to reality, it is time for astrology to become real science.

Because of all those miscalculations and imaginations, astrology is treated (rightfully) as superstition by astronomy. Three centuries ago, astrology was academic discipline, today it is paradise for charlatans. Did you ever read article like this one? With accurate pictures of the sky and critical approach? How many accurate forecasting and projections can you find in books, web pages or social networks? Why is that so? And that is happening at the beginning of XXI century when we have all astronomical data available to general public? Unfortunately great majority of those who are calling themselves astrologists are crucks whithout even basic knowledge about astronomy.

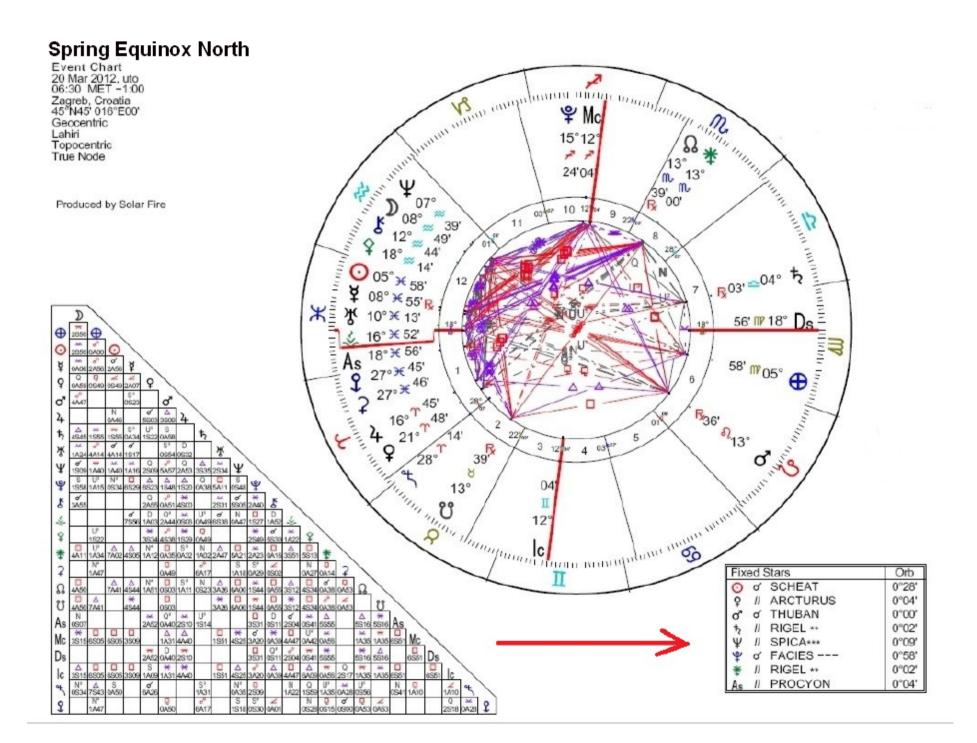
Solving miscalculation problem



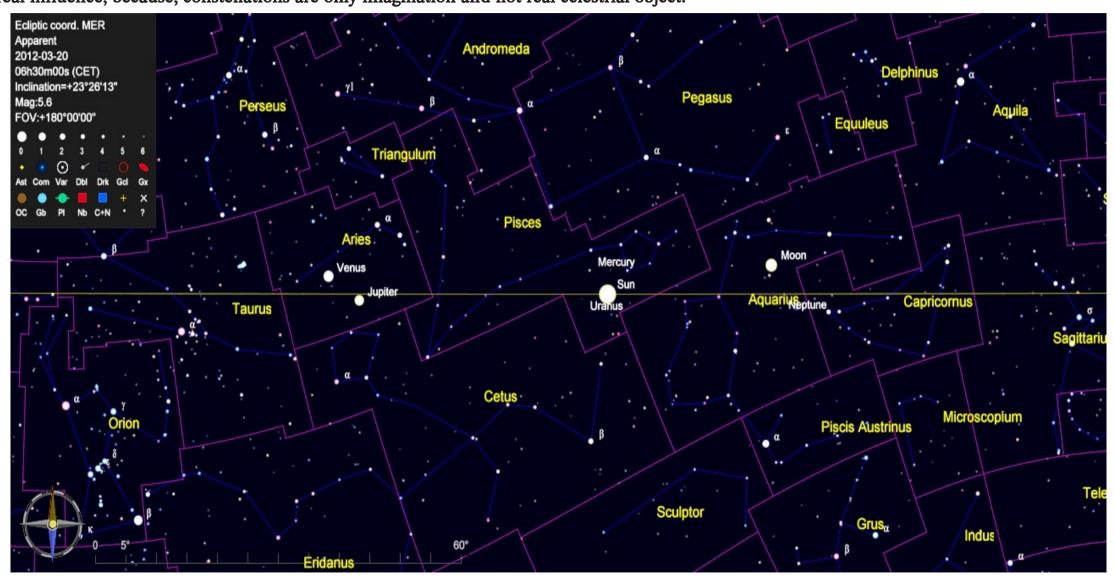
This is traditional tropical chart for the exact time of Spring Equinox in Zagreb, 2012. As you can see, it wrongly calculate position of the Sun at 00°00' of constellation Aries;



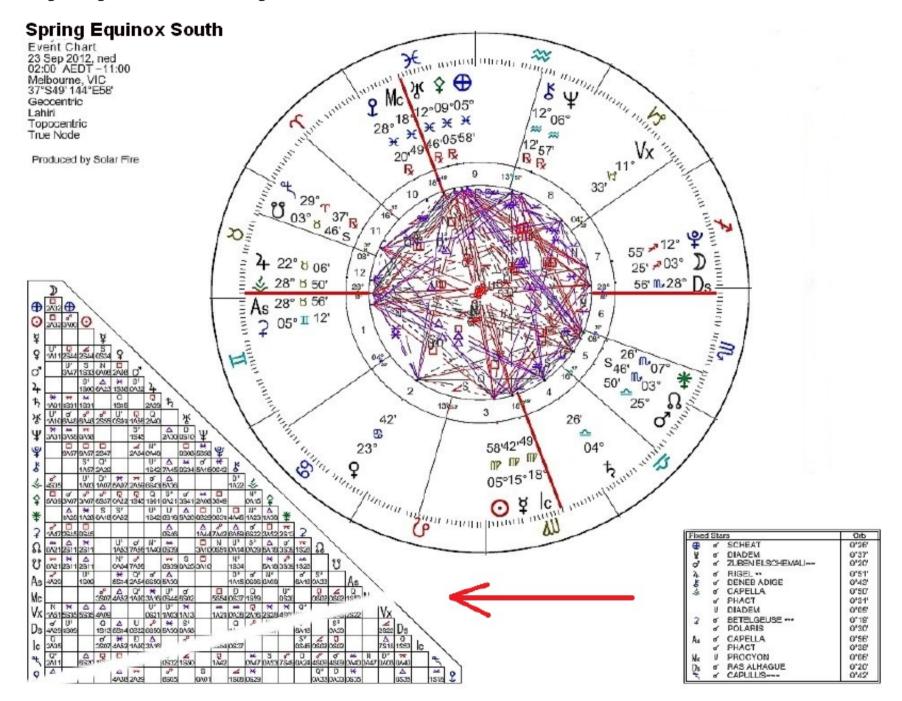
Sidereal position are more accurate, this sidereal chart display position of the Sun at 5°58' of constellation Pisces according to Lahiri ayanamsa (the most correct ayanamsa with comparison with astronomic calculations).

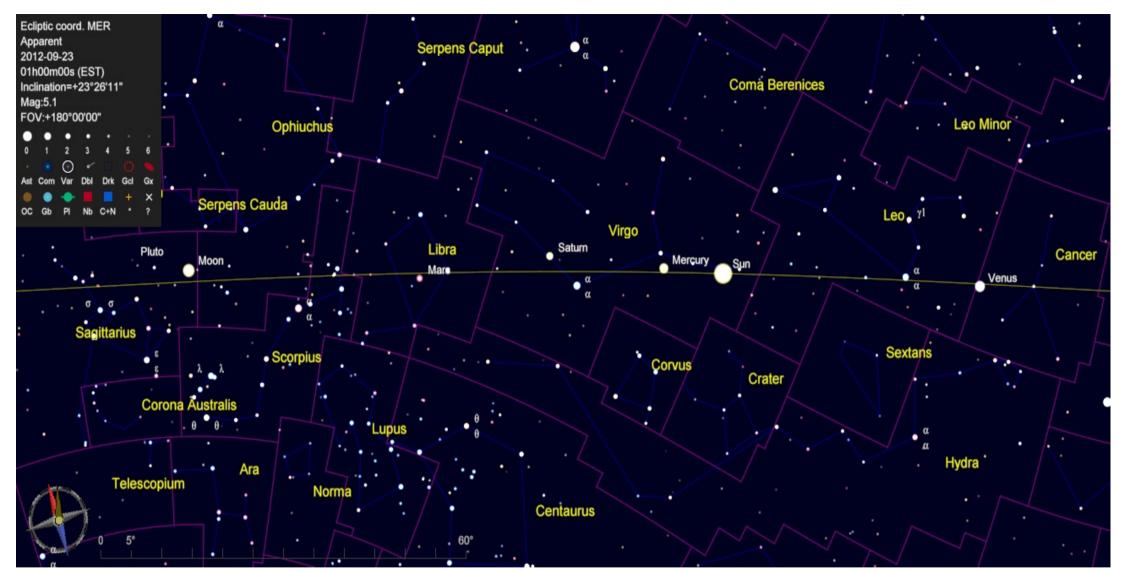


This is picture of the sky for exact date and time of Spring Equinox by planetarium program. As you can see, Sun is not at the beginning of constellation Aries, it is at the beginning of constellation Pisces, sidereal positions are at list more accurate. But, is there any possibility to calculate exact position of the Sun or any other celestial bodies toward constellations? No. No only that in astrology chart display imaginary 30° division, astronomical boundaries are also imaginary. In reality, often, celestial bodies are between constellations, between last star in one and first star in another constellation., Constellations are only ancient provisory agriment how to map the sky, position of celestrial bodies toward them have no real influence, because, constellations are only imagination and not real celestrial object.



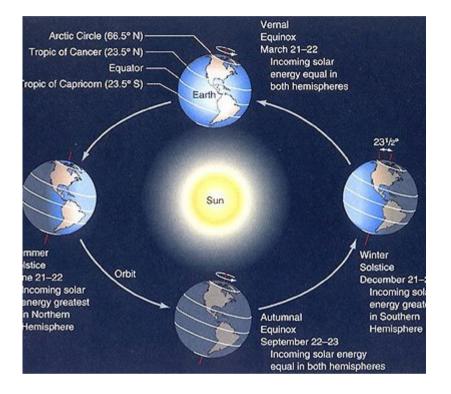
Traditional chart and forecasting methods are full of miscalculations and imaginations, the worst one is miscalculation of Vernal point for South Hemisphere. That error is simply... unbelievable, it is unbelievable that astrology is on such low leve. It is not, of course at the beginning of Aries, it is not in Pisces, when there is spring on Northern Hemisphere, it is Autumn on south. At the time of Spring Equinox on South Hemisphere, Sun is at the beginning of constellation Virgo;





So, traditional chart for Southern Hemisphere is almust impossible to forecast. Whole structure of it, is completely wrong, because astrology didn't change for thousands of years, from time when people belived that Earth is flat.

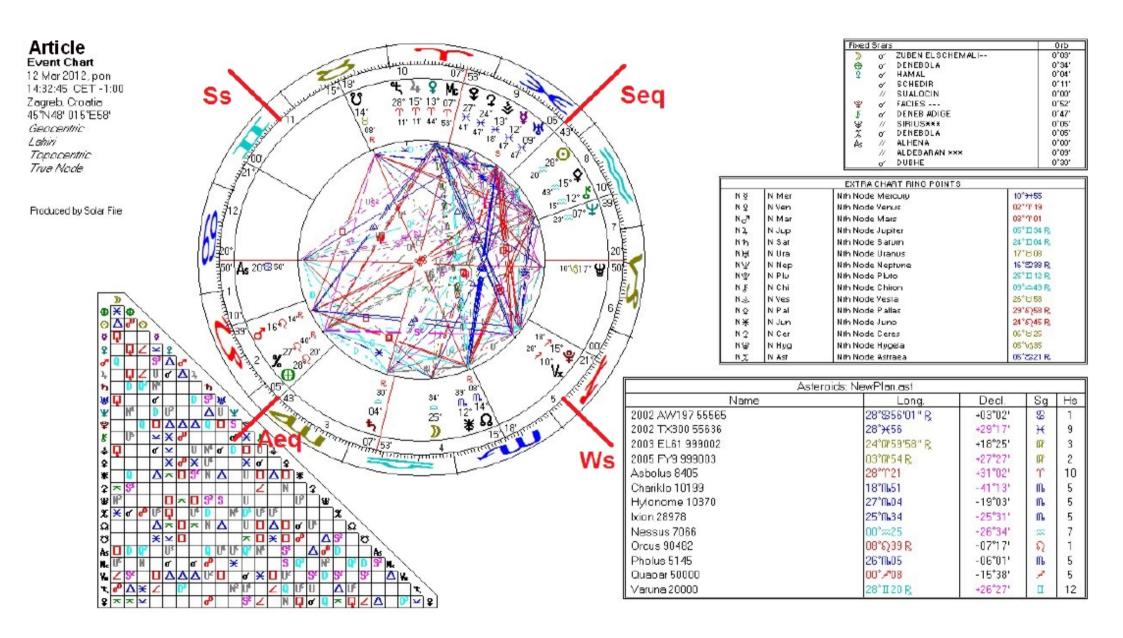
Why is position of the Sun at the time of equinoxes and solstices so important? From the time immemorial, humans all over the world was obsessed with those turning points in nature. Religions, philosophies, calendars, astronomy, astrology and everyday life are dependable on those circles. Structure of traditional astrological chart is also made to show those crucial points in Earth's rotation around the Sun, even when humans toth that Earth is center of the universe, it was obvious that daylight during the year is longer or shorter and changing of seasons was also obvious. Those changes are fundamental for the life on Earth.



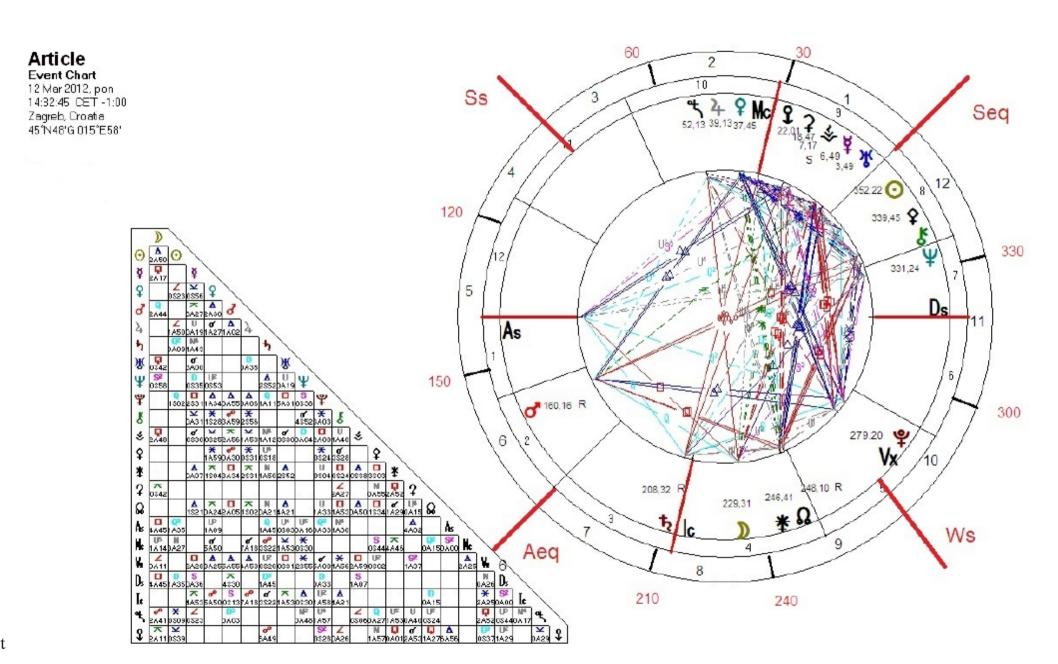
Earth's axies are tilted and when North Hemisphere is closer to sunlight, it is springtime and autumn on South when South Hemisphere is more exposed to sunlight, it is spring there and autumn on north. Why is that so important to astrology? It is crucial because what really have influence fDuring ancient time when first astronomical/astrological observations began, humans wasn't aware that Earth axe is tilted, all they so was changings of celestial bodies positions toward constellations, that was beginning of astrology, fundamentally wrong assumptions that those ever changing repetitive positions have some influence. In fact, they had, but not because Sun was at the beginning of constellation Aries, but because at that time position of the Sun was at certain angle toward Earth. In contemporary astrology there is confusion in theory and practice between tropical and sidereal approach. Tropical claim that those angles toward Earth are crucial and sidereal that crucial are positions toward constellations. On my opinion, angles toward Earth are important, position toward constellations can be used only for mapping the sky.

So, it is unimportant are the Sun at the moment of Spring Equinox in front of constellation Aries, like it has thousands years ago or in front of constellation Pisces as today, it is Spring Equinox, influence of the Sun on Earth is the same. So, sidereal (Indian) astrology have more accurate position toward constellations but it is wrong in its fundamentals, tropical positions are miscalculated toward constellations, but right in fundamental approach toward understanding what realy influence our lives.

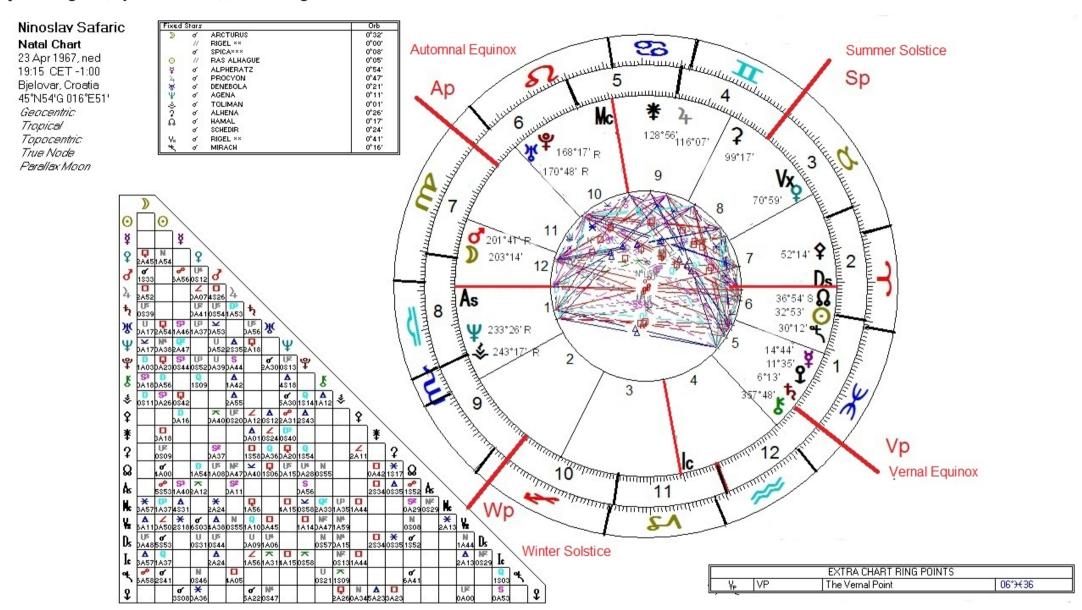
Let's make step by step correct tropical chart, accurate picture of the sky for both hemispheres. It is easy, first of all, sidereal correction must be done, that will display correct position of celestial bodies toward stars, and then I will mark correct positions of equinoxes and solstices in traditional chart. This picture display those corrections and that is the best that can be done by any existing astrological program with some drawing. Now we have correct position of the celestial bodies toward stars, semi correct positions toward constellations and right tropical angles.



s it possible to display correct picture of the sky with use of astrological ephemeris? No. Astrological ephemeris, both tropical and sidereal are very much imaginary and completely useful for Southern Hemisphere tropical chart. The only way to display accurate tropical angles is to use astronomical calculations in degrees and minutes from vernal point on Northern and Southern Hemisphere. This is accurate tropical chart for Northern hemisphere with astronomical calculations. I kept division on twelve parts (signs) marked by numbers.

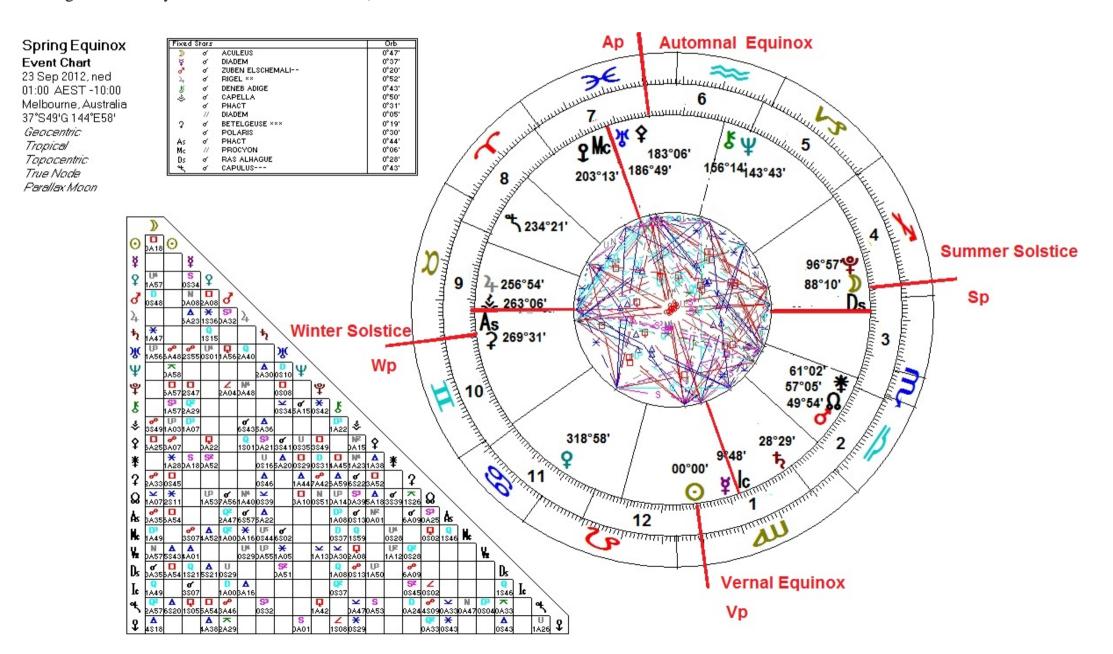


Accurate picture of the sky for Northern Hemisphere with correct positions of celestial bodies toward constellations and at the same time correct tropical angles (my natal chart), is looking like this;

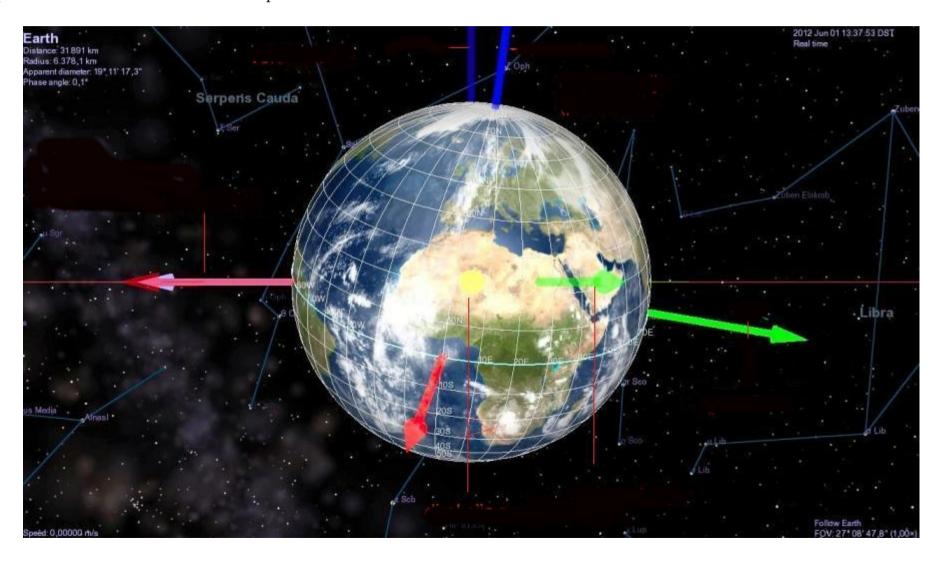


Division on twelve parts (signs) are market by numbers (because precession is ever changing and there is no sense to mark signs with constellation symbols, especially not in tropical chart) and positions are marked by astronomical calculations from real Vernal point at the date and time of my birth.

Correct picture of the sky for Southern Hemisphere is looking like this one, you can see correct position of planets toward constellations and correct tropical angles at the time of Spring Equinox 2012. for Melbourne, Australia. So, principle for Northern and Southern hemisphere are the same, First sign start at the Vernal point and there is division on twelve parts 30° long. That division is just help for astrologers who are used to forecast such charts, in reality, it is better to forecast angles, but, that is long story for this article, in my new book I will explain how to forecast angles. How to forecast this chart? Very simply, like traditional one, you have twelve houses (the most accurate topocentric house system) and twelve signs market by numbers. First is "Aries", second "Taurus" etc.



On this picture from program Celestia, you can see tilt of Earth axe, that tilt is crucial for climate, time measuring, changing of seasons, astronomical observations and astrological forecasts. Before XXth century, humanity was't aware of that tilt, it was only visible that planets are changing positions toward constellations. That lack of knowledge made wrong assumptions in theory and practice of astrology. Today, in 21th century, we know everything about it, and finally astrology will become real, rational science, with right calculations and development of practice without imaginary assumptions. In my new book Astrology for 21th century I will correct all misunderstandings in contemporary astrology, step by step with both astronomical data and astrological examples. It is the time for revolution and resurrection. It is time for real astrology, realistic and truthful quest to understand how motion of planets influence life on Earth.



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